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SUBJECT: WTDR ON ISMAEL GOMES CO. LTD.

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SINCE YOUR REQUEST OF AUGUST 5 FOR WTDR ON ISMAEL GOMEZ CO., POST HAS BEEN UNABLE TO CONTACT HIM FOR UPDATED INFORMATION. MR. GOMEZ IS OUT OF THE COUNTRY AND WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR ANOTHER WEEK OR SO. THIS INFO WAS TAKEN FROM PREVIOUS WTDR WITH ADDITIONAL INFO IN ITEM 5. POST WILL SEND ANY NEW INFO WHEN MR. GOMEZ RETURNS.

- 1. ADDRESS: 93 NORTH FRONT STREET, P.O. BOX 377, BELIZE CITY, BELIZE, PHONE 2736-38. OFFICER: ISMAEL GOMEZ PRESIDENT AND MANAGING DIRECTOR.
- 2. FIRM ESTABLISHED IN 1958, EMPLOYS 25, SALES 4. ACTS AS IMPORTER, WHOLESALER, RETAILER AND COMMISSION AGENT FOR PRIMARILY FOOD PRODUCTS.
- 3. FINANCIAL REFERENCE: THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, BELIZE CITYM TRADE REFERENCES: RUSSELL MILLER MILLING CO., MINN. MINN., J. SEGARI & CO., NEW ORLEANS, LA. AND NESTLES SA COMPANY SWITZERLAND.
- 4. MAJOR FOREIGN FIRMS REPRESENTED: SAME AS TRADE REFERENCES AT 3.

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5. MR. ISMAEL GOMEZ, MAJOR SHAREHOLDER IN ISMAEL GOMEZ CO., LTD. HAS MADE CONSIDERABLE STRIDES IN HIS BUSINESS WITHIN A FEW YEARS. HIS FIRM REPRESENTS SEVERAL LEADING INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES AND A NUMBER OF WELL KNOWN BRANDS IN BELIZE. ISMAEL GOMEZ COMPANY IS NOW GOING INTO MANUFACTURING. THE FIRM RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED AND IS NOW OPERATING THE COUNTRY'S FIRST FLOUR MILL. ACCORDING TO A LOCAL BANK, THIS FIRM IS OPERATING PROFITABLY. MR. GOMEZ IS A FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE BELIZE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. THIS FIRM IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED AS A TRADE PARTNER FOR AMERICAN FIRMS. GAWF

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